Republicans Cannot Fund the Government without Democrats

Congress has just seven legislative days to fund the government before the current continuing resolution expires on April 28. Since 2011, when Republicans took the majority, they have been unable to pass a single bill to fund the government without Democratic votes. Instead of risking a government shutdown as their divided conference argues amongst itself, Republicans should work with Democrats on a clean bill to keep government open.

Here's a look at previous votes:

GOVERNMENT FUNDING LEGISLATION	VOTE BY PARTY	DEMOCRATIC VOTES NEEDED TO GET TO 218
FY17 CR + MilConVA Stopgap measure to continue Fiscal Year 2016 funding to keep government open from December 2016 to April 28, 2017	Democrats 118-63, Republicans 208-33	10 Democratic Votes
FY17 E CR Stopgap measure to continue Fiscal Year 2016 funding to keep government open through the 2016 election, from October 2016 through December 2016	Democrats 172-10, Republicans 170-75	48 Democratic Votes
FY16 Package of appropriations bills to fund the government for Fiscal Year 2016	Democrats 166-18, Republicans 150-95	68 Democratic Votes
FY16 "Barn Clearing" CR Stopgap measure to continue Fiscal Year 2015 funding to keep government open from October 2015 to December 2015	Democrats 186-0, Republicans 91-151	127 Democratic Votes
FY15 Homeland Bill to fund Homeland Security through Fiscal Year 2015	Democrats 182-0, Republicans 75-167	143 Democratic Votes
FY15 Homeland only CR Stopgap measure to continue Fiscal Year 2014 funding for Homeland Security from February 2015 to March 2015	Democrats 174-5, Republicans 183-55	35 Democratic Votes
FY15 CROmnibus (Omni + CR only for DHS to 2/27/14) Package of appropriations bills for all agencies for Fiscal Year 2015 except Homeland Security, which received continued Fiscal Year 2014 funding to February 2015	Democrats 57-139, Republicans 162-67	56 Democratic Votes
FY15 CR Stopgap measure to continue Fiscal Year 2010 funding to keep government open from October 2014 to December 2014	Democrats 143-55, Republicans 176-53	42 Democratic Votes

FY14 Omnibus	Damagnata 102 2	52 Democratic Votes
Package of appropriations bills to fund the	Democrats 193-3, Republicans 166-64	
government through Fiscal Year 2014	1	101 5
FY14 Shutdown Ending CR Bill to end the 16 day government shutdown by continuing Fiscal Year 2013 funding from October 2013 to January 2014	Democrats 198-0, Republicans 87-144	131 Democratic Votes
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FY13 Ag-CJS-Def-DHS-MilCon + Full Year CR Bill to fund Agriculture, Defense, Homeland Security, Military Construction-Veterans and continue Fiscal Year 2012 funding for all other agencies for Fiscal Year 2013	Democrats 115-82, Republicans 203-27	15 Democratic Votes
FY13 Election CR Stopgap measure to continue Fiscal Year 2012 funding to keep government open through the 2012 election, from October 2012 to March 2013	Democrats 164-21, Republicans 165-70	53 Democratic Votes
FY12 Megabus (9 bills) Package of remaining nine appropriations bills for Fiscal Year 2012: Military Construction-VA, Defense, Energy and Water, Financial Services, Homeland Security, Interior-Environment, Labor-HHS-Education, Legislative Branch, and State-Foreign Operations	Democrats 149-35, Republicans 147-86	71 Democratic Votes
FY12 Minibus (3 bills) Package of three appropriations bills for Fiscal Year 2012: Agriculture, Commerce-Justice- Science (CJS), and Transportation-Housing and Urban Development (THUD)	Democrats 165-20, Republicans 133-101	85 Democratic Votes
FY12 CR Stopgap measure to continue Fiscal Year 2011 funding to keep government open from October 2011 to November 2011	Democrats 170-13, Republicans 182-53	36 Democratic Votes
FY11 Defense + Full Year CR Bill to fund the Department of Defense and continue Fiscal Year 2010 funding for all other agencies for Fiscal Year 2011	Democrats 81-108, Republicans 179-59	39 Democratic Votes
FY11 CR Stopgap measure to continue Fiscal Year 2010 funding to keep government open from April 7, 2011 to April 14, 2011	Democrats 140-42, Republicans 208-28	10 Democratic Votes
FY11 CR Stopgap measure to continue Fiscal Year 2010 funding to keep government open from March 2011 to April 2011	Democrats 85-104, Republicans 186-54	32 Democratic Votes

Democrats continue to be ready to work together to responsibly fund the government if Republicans present fiscally responsible legislation without policy riders.